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LENINGRAD PLANTS INITIATE NEW PRODUCTS

Sovetskaya Estoniya, No 52, 4 Mar 49

Large quantities of tools, machinery, tires, and cable are being shipped to Estonian SSR shale mines and industrial enterprises from Leningrad. About 50 Leningrad plants are now filling orders from Tallin. Several days ago, the machine shop of the Plant named Il'ich finished two universal grinding machines for the Estonian machine-building industry. The "Idnotip" Plant in Leningrad is assembling four new machines for Tallin and Tartu.

The Plant imeni Engel's, which is the leading enterprise of the country for construction of complex machinery, and automatic and semi-automatic equipment for shoe and knitted wear factories, has undertaken to produce two vulcanizing presses which will be delivered to Estonia in March, and will help to mechanize shoe-manufacturing enterprises in the Republic.

The "Elektrik" Plant (imeni A. S. Skokhodoev, in Leningrad, is assembling several electric welding transformers for the Estonian industry. The "Elektroapparat" Plant has produced four oil switches (maslyanye vyklyuchateli) and 17 transformers for Estonia. The "Krasnyy Otkryt" Plant is assembling eight fireproof motors, which are to be used in Estonian shale mines. The famous Kirov Plant is shipping bar steel (polosovaya stal'), and the "Pereid" Plant is sending cutting machines.

Leningradskaya Pravda, No 36, 13 Feb 49

A. V. Evdokimov, chief engineer of the "Leninskolic" Plant, has announced the achievements of the enterprise for 1948. The plant worked without State subsidy and completed 1948 with a 2.5-million-ruble profit. Workers are striving to further accelerate the production cycle.

Twenty percent of the earth cores for large castings, which until now were all handmade, will be made mechanically. A new compound reduces drying

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of standard castings from 48 to 24 hours. Standard methods of making molds for large casting will soon be applied. Special attention is given to the simplification of casting technology and to the unification of casting compounds. The plant is in the process of adopting cost accounting. As a result of these measures the plant expects to accelerate the turnover of working capital by 8 days and to release 500,000 rubles shortly.

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A new multipurpose, horizontal hydraulic press for pressing pipes, made of nonferrous metals, was put into service at the "Krasnyy Vyborzhets" Plant on 12 February. Its efficiency is twice that of the existing single-operation equipment. The press was installed on a 300-cubic meter reinforced concrete foundation. Parts weighing up to 50 tons were installed with hydraulic jacks without using scaffolding. The "Krasnyy Vyborzhets" Plant made about 800 different parts for the press. The "Lenstroytvetmet" (Leningrad Construction of Nonferrous Metallurgical Enterprises), the Northwest Administration of the "StroyMontazh" Office and the machine shop of the plant participated in the construction and assembly.

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